WHEREAS, President Jimmy Carter, in his environmental message of August 3, 1979, endorsed the designation of 1980 as the "Year of the Coast"; and

WHEREAS, in that message, President Carter emphasized the responsibility of individual states in the preservation and use of coastal resources; and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina General Assembly has approved and, I, acting in my authority as Governor, have endorsed the Coastal Management Program, as proposed by the South Carolina Coastal Council; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Commerce will soon approve the state's Coastal Management Program as meeting federal standards of approval; and

WHEREAS, the approval of this program is the culmination of several years of cooperative effort in developing a wise management scheme for the state's coastal counties; and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina coast is blessed with countless natural treasures, including approximately 500,000 acres of marshland, undeveloped and fragile barrier islands, miles of wide beachfront, and thousands of acres of forest and agricultural land; and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina coast is rich in historical and cultural heritage and recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina coast provides a wide array of economic and commercial opportunities; and

WHEREAS, it is important for the state to recognize the uniqueness of the coast and the fragility of certain areas along the coast, while appreciating the variety of natural, commercial, recreational, cultural, and historical attributes found in the coastal zone;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard V. Riley, as Governor of the State of South Carolina, by virtue of the power conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of this State, do hereby endorse 1980 as the "Year of the Coast" in South Carolina and do hereby create The South Carolina "Year of the Coast" Advisory Board, its composition and powers as set forth below:
The Advisory Board shall be responsible for establishing the objectives and themes for the "Year of the Coast" and shall, through its Executive Committee, assure that the objectives and themes are being pursued and executed in an appropriate manner.

The Executive Committee is to be comprised of one representative from the South Carolina Coastal Council or its staff, to be appointed by the Council Chairman; one representative from the Parks, Recreation and Tourism Commission or its staff, to be appointed by the Commission Chairman; one representative from the South Carolina Sea Grant Consortium or its staff, to be appointed by its Director; and one representative from the Governor's office, to be appointed by the Governor.

The Executive Committee shall be responsible for initiating and organizing events throughout 1980 which stress the "Year of the Coast" themes.

The Advisory Board shall consist of the members of the Executive Committee and others appointed by the Executive Committee, the total membership not to exceed 30. Members shall be selected from appropriate federal, state and local agencies and officials, and private sector organizations and individuals reflecting the interests of science, conservation, industry, commerce, history, arts, culture and education. The Executive Committee, in appointing the members shall endeavor to make appointments which reflect a broad range of viewpoints.

The Chairperson of the Advisory Board shall be elected by the Board from the membership of the Executive Committee. The person so elected shall also serve as Chairperson of the Executive Committee.

The authority of the Board shall expire on January 31, 1981.

Prior to this date, the Board shall submit a report to the Governor enumerating activities undertaken to commemorate 1980 as the "Year of the Coast" in South Carolina.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina, this day of September, 1979.

RICHARD W. KELLY
Governor

ATTEST:
JOHN H. CAMPBELL
Secretary of State